

REMARKS

Claims 15 and 16 were rejected under U.S.C. 112. In response, the word “assay” in claims 15 and 16 has been changed to the word “assembly” per this amendment.

Claims 9-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Riemenschneider, III (4,535,951). Alternatively, claims 9-11 and 15-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Riemenschneider, III (4,535,951).

In response, Applicant has amended the claims to read with further limitations such as that there is a straight linear pole; that there is a sleeve toward a first end of the pole via a first set of holes; that there is a plug toward a second end of the pole; that the plug only has one open end; that there is a plate toward a second end of the pole; that the pole is disposed through the plate so that the pole is on both sides of the plate; that there is a second set of holes in the sleeve arranged to receive a member perpendicular to the pole; that there is a second set of holes in the pole arranged to receive a member perpendicular to the pole; that the second set of holes along the pole correspond to the first set of holes in the sleeve; and that there is a brake assembly toward the first end of the pole. No new matter was entered. Such features are absent in Riemenschneider, III.

Applicant believes the claims are now allowable as further limitations have now been added to clearly distinguish the present invention, as claimed, from the references.

A petition for any and all extensions of time is hereby made and authorization to charge deposit account 500356 is hereby given for all fees due and owing.

Respectfully submitted,

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